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Attention: Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500
for Rambabu Bavirisetty, Acting Chief
Office of Federal Transportation Program Management

Dear Mr. Morales:

SUBJECT: MTC Amendment 10 to the 2001 FTIP

We have reviewed the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Amendment Number 10.00 to the 2001 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), which was transmitted with your letter dated May 9, 2001.

Amendment 10 adds funding for **Project SM-979044** for the construction of auxiliary lanes on northbound and southbound Route 101 between Ralston Ave. and Hillside Blvd. Only the northbound auxiliary lane was included in the TIP and previous conformity determination dated October 6, 2000. Section 93.104(c)(2) of the Final Conformity Rule, dated, August 15, 1997, states:

A TIP amendment requires a new conformity determination for the entire TIP before the amendment is approved by the MPO or accepted by DOT, unless the amendment merely adds or deletes exempt projects listed in § 93.126 or § 93.127.

Since the addition of auxiliary lanes is not exempt, a new conformity determination will have to be made before this amendment can be approved. Consequently, we are not approving Amendment 10.

If you have any questions, please contact K. Sue Kiser at (916) 498-5009.

Sincerely,

For
Michael G. Ritchie
Division Administrator